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Re:

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in a Mammalian Cell

Inventor:

Frederick M. Boyce

Our Ref:

0609.4970003/EEF/TAC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111; and
- 2. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated September 30, 2002, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 24), and further to the telephone conversation between Examiner Joseph Woitach and Applicant's Representative, Teresa Colella, on August 3, 2004, Applicant submits the following Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111. It is the Applicant's understanding that the statutory bar has been reset to two months from the date of Applicant's telephone conversation with the Examiner. Therefore, Applicant believes that the submission of this Reply is clearly within the allowed time frame. This Reply is provided in the following format:

- (A) Each section begins on a separate sheet;
- (B) Starting on a separate sheet, amendments to the specification by presenting replacement paragraphs marked up to show changes made;
- (C) Starting on a separate sheet, a complete listing of all of the claims:
 - in ascending order;
 - with status identifiers; and